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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Etsuo HORII et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1713**

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Examiner: **Not yet assigned**

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For: **METHOD FOR PRODUCING FLUORINE-CONTAINING  
(METH)ACRYLATE POLYMER AND POLYMER PRODUCED BY  
SUCH METHOD**

Attorney Docket Number: **063136**  
Customer Number: **38834**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 16, 2007

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.